

# THE WEEKLY MO'OLELO

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## Upcoming Events

- **Extended Drinking Water Monitoring Booths: Dec. 30 at Halsey Terrace Mini Mar at 6890 Nimitz Road from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.**



## UH, Navy, and Marine Corps Establish 10-Year Agreement for Bases in Hawaii

The University of Hawaii (UH) and the Department of the Navy (DoN) have signed a historic 10-year agreement to support the protection and management of natural and cultural resources on Navy and Marine Corps installations in Hawaii. The signed agreement enables the DoN to potentially fund UH to conduct \$10M in projects and support services annually to enhance the Navy and Marine Corps' resilience against environmental hazards.



## Forging Ahead: 83rd Annual Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day Ceremony

Pearl Harbor survivors Ken Stevens, left, and Ira "Ike" Schab Jr., right, returned to Hawaii to attend the 83rd Annual Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day ceremony at Pearl Harbor National Memorial. Stevens served aboard the USS Whitney (AD-4) while Schab served aboard the USS Dobbin (AD-3) during the Dec. 7, 1941, attack on Pearl Harbor and were among those honored during the remembrance ceremony hosted by the U.S. Navy and National Park Service.



## Pearl Harbor Survivor Interred Aboard USS Utah Wreckage

Pearl Harbor survivor Gilbert Meyer was laid to rest last week alongside his fallen shipmates inside the wreckage of the USS Utah during a sunset ceremony held on Ford Island. Meyer passed away in 2023 at the age of 100. He served in the Navy for 22 years and retired as a Chief Petty Officer. He was an 18-year-old Fireman First Class assigned to the USS Utah when it was hit by a torpedo, capsized and sank. Fifty-eight Sailors were killed in the attack.



### 9th Annual Japan-U.S. Joint Memorial Ceremony

Rear Adm. Stephen Barnett, commander, Navy Region Hawaii, and Yoshinori Kodama, Consul General of Japan in Honolulu, present wreaths during the 9th Annual Japan-U.S. Memorial Ceremony at the Nob Hill Banyan Tree on Ford Island. Lives Remembered: A Tribute to the Fallen of Pearl Harbor is a joint Japan - U.S. ceremony that honors all who lost their lives in the Pearl Harbor attack and is a symbol of reconciliation and friendship between Japan and the United States.



### Navy Hosts Meeting with BWS to Discuss Drinking Water Technical Memo

The Navy hosted a meeting with representatives from the Navy, Army, Hawaii Department of Health, Environmental Protection Agency, University of Hawaii, and the Board of Water Supply this week to discuss the Swarm Team’s technical memo released in April 2024. “Today offered us a unique opportunity to move forward together, to leverage our collective experience and expertise, ask critical questions, and explore diverse perspectives,” said Navy Closure Task Force-Red Hill Deputy Commander Rear Adm. Marc Williams.



### This Week in History: December 14, 1911

On Dec. 14, 1911, the armored-cruiser USS California (ACR-6) sailed into Pearl Harbor through a widened channel becoming the first ship to enter the now serviceable harbor. Onboard was Rear Admiral Chauncey Thomas, commander of the Pacific Fleet. The widening of the channel and the arrival of the California represented the beginning of Pearl Harbor’s establishment as a world class naval base.




Laulima Navy underscores our responsibility to the community and the ways we work alongside partners to help and support our neighbors. Service to others and a commitment to the greater good are values we hold in high regard. It is a privilege for all of us to call Hawaii home and we seek every opportunity we can to show how much we treasure this place. In this edition, we share a few ways we help to care for the community. Scan the QR code to learn more about Laulima Navy.





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